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Mothers, Beware.

A young woman lay in the agonies of death; she was a poor blighted drunkard; one was trying to lead her to the Saviour. Among other sentiments which fell from his lips was this: "Strong drink has ruined you!" "Yes," replied her mother, "strong drink has been her ruin." The dying woman, on hearing this last remark, mustered all the strength she could possibly command, and lifting up her hand, said, "Mother, it was you who taught me to drink" and died shortly after.

PAID UP

Subscriptions to The Independent will be acknowledged in this column as soon as they are received and entered up in the books. Parties who remit us and do not see the amount acknowledged here should drop us a card. No receipt here should be sent except by special request. POST OFFICE, PAID UP TO BANK.

Dr. Alway, Grimsby, Jan. 1, 1900
J. M. Beamer, " Dec. 31, '99
John Cole, " Dec. 31, '99

Claim \$250,000 Damages.

Ottawa, April 27. — Messrs. Macdonald and Mann have been in the city for several days. They have a number of projects on hand, but it is said their chief business here is to formulate their claim against the Government for expenditure incurred in connection with the unfortunate Yukon railway deal of last year. It is said by those who know that the amount of damages will be placed by them at not far short of \$250,000. The amount of the recent decision against them in the courts of \$70,000, due the Alberta Railway and Coal Company for rails supplied, will be one of the items of the bill of particulars which the Government will be asked to pay.

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ICE REFRIGERATION.

How to Secure the Best Results at Least Cost.

Some 17 years ago, writes George H. Gurlier of Illinois, H. B. Gurlier and myself built our first creamery and refrigerator. We thought it sufficient to partly surround a tightly closed room with ice, so on one side of our icehouse we made a room about 12 by 18 and 8 feet high and packed the ice on one side and overhead when we filled the house. When warm weather came, the sides and ceiling began to gather moisture, and the room was wet and damp. The ice, too, melted rapidly, and the whole thing was unsatisfactory.

Some years later we thought we could improve this room by creating a circulation of air. This we did by putting the ice in the top of the room and allowing the hot air to pass around the ice and become cooled. By later experience I am satisfied that our idea of creating a circulation was all right, but our way of doing it was not.

As a type of a later and better refrigerator it might be well to describe one I recently built. This room is approximately 8 by 13 and 8 feet high, made of three thicknesses of matched lumber and building paper laid in such shape as to leave two air spaces 1 1/2 inches wide around the sides and top. The door into the butter room is made the same way and flanged like the door of a safe. One window with double cashes and blinds admits what light is necessary.

In one side of this room is built the box or rack for the ice. It is 6 feet long by 2 feet wide and extends from the ceiling to within 1 1/2 feet of the floor. The bottom is made of 2 by 6 set edge-wise two inches apart and capable of easily supporting the 10 to 15 cakes of ice the rack is designed to hold. The ice drip from the ice is carried off by a tin conductor under the 2 by 6. The sides and ends of the box are boarded up to and inside of the ceiling, which within six inches of the ceiling, which is left open, one side of this rack being also the side of the building. The ice is easily put in through a small closely fitting door.

I think a better circulation is obtained and less ice used by having the ice near the floor as in the above room, the cold, heavy air passing from around the ice to the floor and the warm, light air being forced from the top of the ice through the space at the top of the ice rack and in turn becoming cooled. This rack and in turn becoming cooled. This room is as dry and sweet as any room in the building, and no particle of moisture or dampness gathers either on the sides of the room or on the tubs of butter.

I used from 40 to 50 tons of ice in this refrigerator last season and had as high as 85 to 90 tubs per week in it. The temperature was low enough throughout the summer to keep the butter in good shape. I think an average of 50 degrees F. would not be unreasonable.

Mexico continues to furnish the United States with more than half of its supply of mahogany.



PROFITABLE FEEDING.

Double Prices For Grain Fed to Dairy Cows.

Any farmer would be glad to sell his corn and oats at twice their market value, says The National Stockman, and while this is not possible in the ordinary way of marketing it is perfectly feasible if the grain be fed to a good dairy cow. There are certain conditions necessary to insure this, it is true, but they are not out of the reach of the farmer with small means. Warm stables, plenty of pure water well above freezing temperature, plenty of good wholesome food and kind treatment—these are within the reach of any one who owns one or more cows.

For the first expensive barns are not necessary. Straw stuffed walls are warm and cheap. There are many wind swept cow stables in this land with straw going to waste in the same yard. Building paper is very cheap, but windproof.

Water from a well or spring is a great deal better than ice water for a cow to drink. The latter chills her through and through. A cow ought to drink heartily at least twice a day, yet with a few swallows of ice water she becomes chilled and does not take half so much of such water as of that of a higher temperature.

Where cows are watered from an outdoor tank, a tank heater will be found a very wise investment. It will pay for itself many times over before it is worn out. All farm animals prefer water with the chill off, and the milk cow will give a greater quantity of milk if this is provided for her. Heap up the tank around the outside and hinge a cover to one side, raising this only long enough for the animals to drink. The warm pipe water up to a certain point where they will consume. On a cold winter morning water of 50 or 60 degrees will be consumed with avidity, although 60 degrees is probably sufficiently warm.

As to the food, we have found wheat bran indispensable. Not only is it unexcelled as a milk producer, but it keeps a cow's system in good order, being cooling and laxative in its action. To go with this one may use ground corn and oats, half and half, the entire ration being composed of one-half bran, one-fourth cornmeal, one-fourth ground oats. This ration will appeal to the general farmer, but bran fed with gluten meal comprises an equally valuable ration and one not more expensive either. The proportions may be varied from one-fourth to one-third by weight of the gluten.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

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THE RIGHT HOUSE

MAY 6TH, 1899.

"Hamilton's Favorite Shopping Place."

Carpets and Housefurnishings.

A special display of these is now being made at The Right House. Following is a list of some of the special lines that are being offered and which are worthy of your careful attention. If you require anything in the way of Carpets and Housefurnishings you cannot afford to miss seeing what we have. Inquiries by mail from those who cannot conveniently come to Hamilton will receive prompt attention.

Made-Up Carpets

A large variety of good patterns of Brussels, Tapestry, Axminster and Velvets. Here are a few of them:

Size.	Regular.	Now.
6 ft 9 1/2 ft 9	\$15.75	\$9.50
9 ft 9 1/2 ft 10	\$19.00	\$11.00
9 ft 9 1/2 ft 6	\$25.50	\$15.35
11 ft 9 1/2 ft 1	\$27.00	\$16.00

Brussels—Special.

Best quality Brussels Carpet in last year's patterns, assortment of shades and designs, with borders, and hall and stair carpets to match, our regular \$1.35 quality, special price to clear.....90c

Linoleums & Oilcloths. Lace Curtains.

English Oil-Cloths, good variety of new effects and colorings, 2 yards wide, special value per square yard.....30c and 35c

English Linoleum, in a complete assortment of new floral, black and conventional designs, 2 yards wide, extra value at per square yard.....40 and 45c

Tapestry—Special.

Best Tapestry Carpets, last season's goods, in a variety of good patterns, in Brussels effects, dark shades, with borders to match, regular price 90c. per yd, clearing at...70c

Nottingham Curtains, with knitted edges, very neat and durable, 3 yards long and 42 inches wide, 75c. per pair; 2 1/2 yards long and 35 inches wide, per pair...\$1.00

Special—White Nottingham Curtains, good patterns, size 60 inches by 2 1/2 yards, special value. Worth \$2.35 per pair, for.....\$1.57

Crotonnes.

Art Crotonnes, wide range of pretty patterns and colorings, 30 inches wide, washable, for.....16c

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The Central O. K. House.

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NO LOOKING BACKWARD!

Enthusiasm is written all over the store. Enthusiastic stocks; Enthusiastic customers; Enthusiastic results. More new styles come to swell the record of sales and add laurels to the business. Everything here is new, fresh and up-to-date, and the drift of our work is constantly to raise the standard. Buying wisdom is to get the best, the best need not be expensive, and the best is none too good for the trade we're after.

DRESS GOODS.

300 yards pure Alpaca Black only, plain and figured at 25c, regular 35c.
400 yards of all-wool Serge, all shades, special 25c yard.
5 pieces fancy figured Goods, new shades regular 35c, bought job selling at 25c yard.
Repeat order of 5 pieces of 5 pieces ladies' plain Cloths, suitable for coats and skirts, extra value at 50c yard.
New Blues, in four shades, plain ladies' Cloths and Serges, regular 65c now 50c.
25 Dress Lengths, new shades, for coats and skirts, 65c and 75c.
Latest novelties in Black Goods at 50c, 75c, \$1.

MILLINERY

We aimed at having, this spring, a selection of fashionable Millinery goods the equal of which our customers would not be able to find outside of this store. That we have been successful is proven beyond a doubt by the way in which the millinery trade has centered here.
5 doz Black Sailors, regular 25c, now 15c.
3 doz Ladies' Sailors, black and white, regular 50c, now 35c.
Our mixed Sailors at 50c and 60c are rapid sellers.
See our fine stock of trimmed sailers, \$1.50 to \$3.00.
Fine Flowers and Foliage at 25c and 35c.
It's worth your while to come and see our showing if you have not already done so.

SHIRT WAISTS.

Choice selection of Shirt Waists.
A very attractive display is here of Ladies' Ready-to-wear Shirt Waists.
5 dozen new Novelty Prints in stripes and checks at 75c.
A great variety of Print and Pique lines, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Come while the selection is unbroken.
Muslins, Organzies and Piques, fine American lines for Waists and Dresses at 8, 10, 12 1/2 and 15c.
Great variety of French goods 20, 25 and 30c.
White Piques for Waists and Dresses, 15, 20, 25 and 30c.

LADIES' WHITE WEAR.

Made of reliable materials and values right.
Drawers, lace trimmed, at 15c.
Drawers, frilled trimmed, at 25c.
Drawers, embroidered and tucked—see our special line at 50c.
Corset Covers, plain, 12 1/2 and 15c.
Corset Covers, embroidered, at 25c. up.
Night Gowns, embroidered and insertion trimmed, 50c up.
Extra value in Ladies' Shirts, 50 and 75c.
Ladies' Camisoles, 100 pair, all sizes, in pink, blue, drab and brown, extra value at 50c.
Children's Corset Waists 25c.
See the new lines we are showing at 75c and \$1.00.
Ladies' Wrappers in dark and light shades, tight fitting, full skirts at 50c.
Ladies' Wrappers, navy blue and grey at \$1.00.
Ladies' Wrappers, fancy Prints at \$1.25 to \$1.50.
Ladies' black Leather Belts at 10c.
Ladies' black and colored Belts, extra value, 25c.
Ladies' black leather jeweled belts at 25c.
Ladies' white Kid Belts at 25c.
Ladies' Vests at 5, 10, 12 1/2 15 and 25c.

Men's Furnishings.

Halbriggan Shirts and Drawers at 25c.
Halbriggan Shirts and Drawers, French goods, 50c.
10 dozen Job Buttons, 15 and 25c.
Unlaundered Shirts, regular 25c for 35c.
Laundered Shirts, regular 65c for 50c.
New Wash Ties at 10 and 15c.
See our new colored Shirts at 50c, 75c and \$1.00.
New Caps and Hats at popular prices.
Men's Collars, turned points, at 3 for 25c.
Men's Collars, leading styles, at 3 for 25c.

Staple Dept.

We have made a heavy purchase for this department, many lines under the regular price.
32 in. Flannelette, in 20 different patterns, while they last 4c YARD.
DON'T MISS THEM.
Apron Gingham, plain or with border, regular 10c, for 8c yard.
5 pieces of plain pink and blue Flannelette, regular 8c for 5c yard.
10 pieces Oxford Shirting, while in stock for 8c yard.
10 pieces wide heavy Shirting, regular 12 1/2c, for 10c yard.
See Cottonade we offer at 15c, 18c and 20c.
Factory Cotton, 1 yard wide, at 3c yard.
Factory Cotton, 1 yard wide, extra heavy, at 5c yard.
100 pieces of English Prints, all new this season, regular 12 1/2c, for 10c.
10 pieces of Canadian Prints, special at 6c yard.
6 pieces of checked flannelette Dress Goods, regular 8c, at 5c.
5 pieces of colored Curtain Muslins, regular 8c, for 5c.
25 bunches of the best white Carpet Warp, at 75c.
20 bunches of colored Carpet Warp, at \$1.00.
50 Toilet Quilts, regular \$1.25, for 95c.

Men's Clothing Dept.

Tweed Suits from \$3.75, \$5.00 up.
Youths' Suits, Halifax tweeds (brown) regular \$5, for \$4.
Boys' 2 piece Suits \$1.50 and \$2.00.
Men's heavy Overalls at 50c. Men's Tweed Pants at 75c.
100 pair of Men's Pants, regular \$1.25 for \$1.00.



Paint Protection

You realize the necessity of protecting your house with good paint, but you do not realize the necessity of protecting yourself against poor paint. It all looks alike in the can, but one kind comes off, the other stays on; one kind soon looks shabby, the other keeps new. The kind that holds on strongest, looks new longest, is

**THE
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It is the result of a quarter of a century's paint-making experience; the product of the largest paint factory in the world. We sell it.

SHOE DEPARTMENT

Filled with new leading lines.
Ladies' Oxford ties selling fast at \$1.00 and \$1.25.
Ladies' Oxford ties, tan, regular \$1.25, for \$1.00.
Ask to see our lines at \$1.50 and \$1.75.
Children's low and buttoned shoes 20, 25 and 75c.

WALL PAPERS.

Wall papers are going with a rush. Call and see our stock before purchasing.
American and Canadian designs with ceiling and borders to match. Good values at 5, 7, 8, 9, 10c.

Paints.

Also a full stock of Canada Paint Co's paints and varnishes.
Paint Brushes, all kinds.
White wash brushes 20, 25, 35 and 50c.

Crockery.

Just open in stock 2 crates of colored ware in dinner, breakfast and tea plates, covered vegetable dishes, platters, etc., all to match.
Dinner sets at \$5, \$6, \$8.50, \$7 and \$9.
A lot of odd white pieces at your own price.
Toilet sets, regular \$4.50 for \$3.00.
Tumblers 5c. each.

Hardware.

We also carry a stock of Hardware—Shovels, hoes, spades, forks, hoes, rakes, wire screen in all widths, wire, nails, fence wire, in fact a general line of hardware.
Garden and field seeds in bulk and packages.
Agent for Walland Vale Bicycles.

Groceries.

50 lbs. Redpath granulated sugar \$1.00.
3 cans corn, peas or tomatoes 25c.
3 cans pumpkin 25c.
3 cans blueberries (for pies) 25c.
3 lb. tin pork and beans 25c.
2 cans best salmon 25c.
200 sections white clover honey 10c.
Worcestershire sauce 10c.
Van Wick's tomato catsup 10c.
4 packages corn starch 25c.
Clothes pins per doz. 1c.
6 bars Grand soap 25c.
7 bars Grand soap 25c.
Old brown Windsor soap, per cake, 1c.
3 cakes Butter milk soap 10c.
2 cakes pure Castile soap 8c.
3 lb. tin soda biscuits 25c.

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Ladies' Oxfords from 75c to \$2.25. Misses' Oxfords from 75c to \$1.50.

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Fresh butter and eggs taken in exchange.

J. H. WHITTAKER

Grimsby

Thursday, May 4

Grimsby.

—Mrs. Corverson and daughter and Mr. Ubukaka, of Toronto, spent Sunday at N. J. Teeter's.

—Miss Etta Coon's summer millinery opening takes place Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13.

—For Sale—An aged horse, good worker and extra good roader. Will sell cheap. J. N. Darby, Grimsby.

—For Sale—Potatoes—White Elephants, Empire State, Pride of Monroe County. Apply to W. D. Kitchen, North Grimsby.

—Col. Clarke, clerk of the Ontario House of Parliament, was the guest of Jas. M. Metcalfe, North Grimsby, on Friday last.

—John Jackson, of Hamilton, who was going into F. C. Halberstadt's hotel at Smithville, has decided not to go at present.

—Wanted—Pony 12 to 14 hands Norway Spruce 2 to 4 feet, about 100 for sale cheap. D. McKinnon & Sons, North Grimsby.

—Don't Forget—I carry my hundred samples of wall paper, latest patterns, to you for your inspection. Call or drop me a card. Rooms measured. O. E. VanDyke, Grimsby.

—Strawberry Plants for sale—Williams and Wilson at \$2.50 per thousand; Michael's Early and Crescent at \$2 per thousand. I. E. VanDyke, Winona.

—The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, Grimsby, will give their monthly At Home on Thursday evening, May 4th, in the school room. Tea served from 5:30 until 8. Admission 10 cents.

—For Sale or to Rent—That desirable property, about three acres, owned by the late W. V. Hare, one mile west of Grimsby village along the H. O. & B. Set out with choice fruit, in bearing. On the property is a stone house, frame barn, etc. Apply to J. S. Randall, Grimsby.

—J. A. Upper and son left last Thursday morning for Ottawa.

—Miss Rachel Upper spent Sunday in Hamilton.

—George Pearson, of Weston, was in Grimsby on Wednesday on business.

—For Sale—Eight Berkshire pigs eight months old. Thos. Muir, Jr., Oranias Corners.

—Walter Riddiford, of this place, was entertaining his brother, of the Toronto Military School, Sunday and Monday.

—Dr. and Mrs. Woolverton arrived home from New York on Monday night. Miss Woolverton has gone to Washington.

—Baptist Church—Next Sunday, May 7th, the pastor will preach in the morning on "The Christian's Death and Resurrection"; in the evening on "What is Thy Life?" A cordial invitation is extended.

—Wm. Henderson, who bought the W. B. Elliott place on the mountain, known as the "Horse farm," has moved in and is getting ready for work. We welcome Mr. Henderson to Grimsby and hope he may enjoy his new home.

—A program of sports are now being prepared for the Queen's birthday celebration and the bills will be out in a few days. Running races, pony races, foot races, bicycle races, novelty races and games of all kinds will be the bill of fare.

—Hol For the Grimsby Roller Mills. We are leading in the business and are now prepared to do all kinds of work in our line. Fine chopping a specialty. In gristing we guarantee satisfaction. Give us a trial. Full line of feed on hand at lowest cash prices.

—H. A. Jenkins, who arrived last in Grimsby last week from Ingersoll, has rented the building just west of Stone's barber shop and is putting in machinery to start a bicycle and general repair shop. There is an opening for such a business here and we wish Mr. Jenkins' success.

—The volunteers were out stronger than usual on Saturday night last and several were in uniform. Captain Gibson and Lieutenant Cline are very anxious to get more of the boys around Grimsby to take hold and join the company. Turn out, boys, and help get up a crack company.

—The quarterly meeting services will be held in the Methodist church on Sunday morning, open communion service to commence at 10:30 o'clock. In the evening the pastor, Rev. Wray Smith, will preach; subject, "A Looking Glass for Ladies." Service at 7 o'clock. Seats free. Hymn books provided.

—The name of Miss Barr, our assistant high school teacher, appears in the list of successful candidates third year examinations Queen's University. That her own studies in preparation for this examination have not been allowed to interfere with her school work is shown by the high school inspector's report.

—Hello! Here we are again. Everything comes our way since we got through house cleaning. A new bicycle shop started next door this week, and goodness only knows what will happen next. Meanwhile we keep right on shaving. We do first-class work and that's why we get the trade. Stone the barber, opposite the post office.

—No Looking Backward—Is the heading of A. F. Hawke's monster advt. this week, and a most appropriate heading it is. His fine large store is packed full of the newest and most choice up-to-date goods. A careful perusal of his advt. will fully repay the reader. Goods can be bought as cheaply in Grimsby as anywhere and Hawke leads in Grimsby.

—C. A. Decew, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., is in Grimsby. He is getting ready to go to Hawaii to take charge of the electrical plant of a big sugar business. Fred Cross went to Hawaii some time last year and was so taken with the country that he sent for Mrs. Cross and later for his father-in-law, Mr. Decew. The new plant is to be ready to start on July 1st and Decew leaves on June 1st to take charge. He gets a large salary and a free house. The man for whom he is going to work is the sugar king of the Pacific.

Village Council.

A special meeting of the village council was held in the clerk's office on Friday evening last. The reverend in the chair, Councilors Wismer, Groat and Miller present.

A report of the work on Livingston avenue was presented and a pay sheet laid on the table by Chairman Wismer.

The clerk was ordered to pay the men as per pay sheet.

Wall Papers

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Beautiful Patterns 5c per roll. Gilt Patterns only 10c per roll. Borders and ceilings to match all papers.

FLOOR PAINTS

Ready for use; all colors; will dry hard in one night.

GROCERIES.

Best Ginger Snaps.....3c per lb.
2 bottles Mixed Pickles.....5c
Jelly Powder, all flavors.....5c
Flour Potatoes.....10c per lb.
20 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....\$1.00

TRY TARTAN TEA.

T. J. NOBLE.

The Cash Store, Grimsby.

A letter was read from Wm. Forbes' postmaster, offering the village the use of a post office box free for the reception of all mail addressed to corporation officers.

A letter was also read from Wm. Forbes, congratulating the council on the action of the reverend and those associated with him in collecting evidence and preparing the case for court in "H. O. & B. vs. Grimsby." In his opinion the case as prepared for presentation was simply "perfection."

A motion was passed tendering the thanks of the council to Mr. Forbes for his kindness in offering the use of a post office box to the village. Council adjourned. Next regular meeting Monday, May 8th.

You Try It.

If Shiloh's Cough and Consumption Cure, which is sold for the small price of 25 cts., 50 cts. and \$1.00, does not cure take the bottle back and we will refund your money. Sold for over fifty years on this guarantee. Price 25 cts. and 50 cts.

Three of Grimsby's Ottomans Pass Away.

Death has been busy in our midst this week and we are called upon to chronicle in this issue the death of three of our most respected citizens.

MRS. JONATHAN P. MUIR.

Mrs. J. P. Muir, who lived in Grimsby and vicinity all her life and was known by a large circle of friends, passed away at her home here on Saturday evening last. She was widow of the late J. P. Muir, who died some years ago. During the past few years deceased had several attacks of paralysis and it was from the effects of one of these that she died. She had reached the age of 64 years and leaves one daughter (Miss Laura Muir) and three brothers to mourn her demise.

The funeral took place on Tuesday, May 2nd, to St. Andrew's church cemetery and was attended by a large concourse of friends, a great many being present from outside points.

MRS. HENRY G. MILLGATE.

About Easter time Mrs. H. G. Millgate, of Toronto Junction, came here

Our Summer Millinery Opening Days

On Friday and Saturday, May 12th and 13th, 1899, we will make a special display of the NEWEST "AFTER EASTER" STYLES in trimmed patterns and latest ideas and notions in New York Millinery Trimmings and Novelties.

We are making extra preparations to have an attractive showing of real good values in up-to-date goods and heartily welcome you to visit us on those days.

I await your inspection.

MISS ETTA COON, GRIMSBY.

Over A. J. Smith's Dry Goods Store.

to stay with her mother, Mrs. S. Oakley, in order to recruit from a severe attack of la grippe. She was soon taken with typhoid fever and from the first was dangerously ill. Her strength had already been sapped by the grip and she was not able to go through the trying ordeal of the fever. She died on Monday, May 1st, at the age of 40 years. Deceased was daughter of Mr. S. Oakley, of Grimsby, and lived here all her life until a year or two ago when she moved with her husband to Toronto Junction. She leaves a husband, three daughters, a father and mother, two sisters and two brothers to mourn her loss. The interment took place to Queen's Lawn cemetery on Wednesday afternoon and was largely attended.

GEORGE VANDYKE, AN OLD PIONEER, PASSED AWAY.

With the passing of Geo. VanDyke, Grimsby loses one of its oldest, most respected and best informed citizens. Capt. Randall, Geo. VanDyke, W. A. Coon, Chas. Moore, J. W. Lewis, and and Isaac Lewis have, for years, been looked upon as "our old timers" and any question of ancient history in connection with Grimsby was always referred to one of these. Chas. Moore passed away some time ago. Now George VanDyke is gone.

Deceased was a remarkably healthy correct living man, and up till six months ago was considered good for 10 years yet, but during the past winter he seemed to have a general breaking up, and the immediate cause of death was heart failure. George VanDyke was born in New York state, on Jan. 22nd 1822, and came to Canada with his father, Stephen VanDyke, when he was but a boy. In due time he took out his naturalization papers and became a British subject and finally settled in Grimsby. He was married on Oct. 9th, 1842, to Dinah House, daughter of George House, of Clinton Township. In 1849 he built and moved into the house which he occupied up to the time of his death, a period of 50 years. In 1892 he and Mrs. VanDyke celebrated their golden wedding, in 1894 Mrs. VanDyke died.

During the rebellion of 1837-38 the deceased was on duty for his Queen and country and many thrilling stories he could tell of those stirring times, although he was then but 16 years of age.

He was made a Mason on Oct. 5th, 1854, and up to the time of his death was, next to Capt. Randall, the oldest living member of the Grimsby lodge.

In politics he was a staunch Reformer of the old school. In religion a Presbyterian.

He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Mose Corless, of New Durham, Ont., and Mrs. Edwin Wilson, of Grimsby, and three sons, Charles E. Harry, and Rome, all of Grimsby.

The funeral, which will be conducted with Masonic honors, will take place on Thursday afternoon to Queen's Lawn cemetery at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Service at the house.

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KING ONTS SEVEN YEARS.

Canadians Sentenced to the
Iowa Penitentiary.

Rock Rapids, Iowa, April 27.—
Robert King, hotel-keeper, of Paisley,
Ont., and A. J. Conover, ex-hotel-
keeper, of Wingham, Ont., were to-day
sentenced to long terms of imprison-
ment in the Iowa penitentiary for
swindling the First National Bank, of
Rock Rapids, by means of forged
drafts. King, who pleaded guilty and
turned state's evidence, was given
seven years on a charge of uttering a
forged draft, Conover three years for
forgery and seven years for uttering.
Conover also gets four years' extra
imprisonment for violating the condi-
tion of an old pardon, making fourteen
years in all.

The following is the list of banks
which Conover and King have swindled
since October, 1897:—

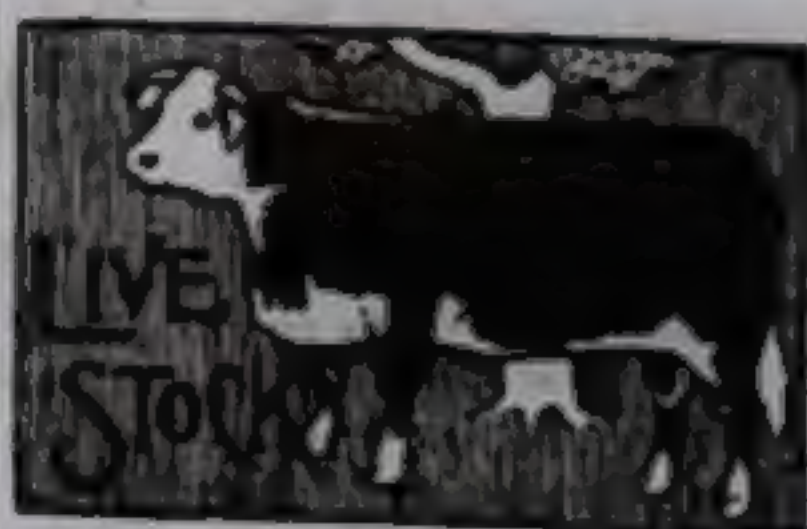
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- First National Bank, New Hamp-
ton, Ia.
- Lomax and Standly, Lucile, Mo.
- Goodale, Barger and Co., Meadville,
Mo.
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N.C.
- National Bank of High Point,
High Point, N. C.
- Brownlee Banking Company, Brook-
field, Mo.
- Farmers' Bank, Burgin, Ky.
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- C. M. Condou, Oswego, Kas.
- Bank of Cherokee, Cherokee, Kas.
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Ia.
- Farmers' and Merchants' Bank,
Sterling, Neb.
- Bank of Leipsic, Leipsic, O.
- Farmers' Bank, Spencerville, O.
- Farmers' and Merchants' Bank,
Jackson Centre, O.
- Henry and Pritchard, Gosport, Ind.
- Exchange Bank, Spencer, Ind.
- Bank of Philadelphia, Philadelphia,
N. Y.
- First National Bank, Lynark, Ill.
- Sherwood and Cook, Shannon, Ill.
- Farmers' Savings Bank, George, Ia.
- First National Bank, Rock Rapids,
Ia.

Citizens' Bank, Lester, Pa.
Bank of Salem, Salem, Neb.
A. J. Conover, the ex Wingham
hotel keeper, and the prominent figure
in this band of forgers, has been op-
erating for about twenty years. King
is only known to have joined the gang
two years ago. He was arrested at
Paisley about three months ago, and
after a strenuous fight at Walkerton
was held for extradition.

Canada's Support Asked.

London, April 27.—Canada is being
urgently appealed to to assist the dis-
franchised British subjects to secure
citizens' rights in the Transvaal, where
affairs are again reaching a grave
crisis.

The South African League, of which
Ocell Rhodes is the president, repre-
senting the best British interests in
South Africa, has despatched a cable-
gram to the British Empire League of
Canada, indicating that the hands of
the Imperial Government would be
greatly strengthened if Canada made
known at this critical juncture her
sympathy with the Uitlanders' position
now before the Queen.



PURE BRED.

An Expression Without a Very Ex-
act Definition.

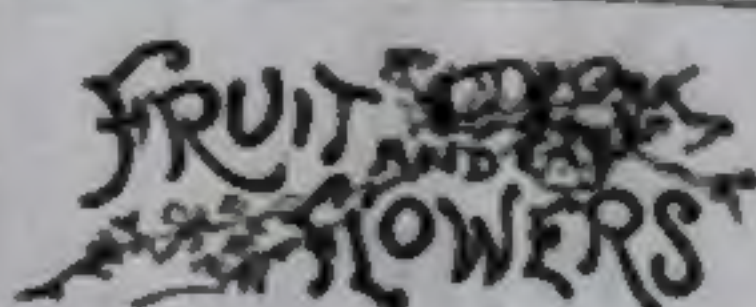
The correct definition of the expres-
sion "pure bred" is at present agitating
the minds of the breeders of some vari-
eties of live stock, says the London Live
Stock Journal. But apparently a solu-
tion of the difficulty is not so easy to
discover as may at first sight appear to
be the case. On the other hand, there
can be no doubt that the expression
"mongrel" is easily defined, though un-
fortunately it is by no means so simple
a task as breeders might wish it to be
to apply it to the animal world without
giving great offense. The fact that the
first definition of the word is "the prop-
erty resulting from a cross between
two breeds, as of domestic animals,"
does not seem to place any limit or re-
striction upon the extent of the applica-
tion of the term, and as the vast ma-
jority of the modern varieties of ani-
mals are the result of crossing two or
more breeds the difficulty of drawing
the line is at once apparent. For in-
stance, one breed is said to have been
improved by the introduction of Flem-
ish blood, and another was probably a
half bred Arab and old English mare.
Yet none of these breeds can be legiti-
mately stigmatized as mongrel, though,
according to the rendering of the im-
mortal Webster, they can scarcely claim
to be pure bred. The very thorough-
bred of which all Englishmen are so
justly proud is admittedly the result
of a comparatively recent cross, and even
many varieties of ponies which for
centuries have roamed their native
hills and moors are known to have
been "improved" by the infusion of ex-
traneous blood. The question of defin-
ing the term "pure bred" must therefore
depend very greatly upon the personal
biases of those who use it. But perhaps
a general point of agreement might be
accepted upon something of such a
basis—that a pure bred is one that has
been unaltered for a stated number of
generations and is capable of reproduc-
ing its type with certainty. It is to be
feared, however, that the inevitable
throw backs which occasionally appear
might raise difficulties over the accept-
ance of this definition of a very diffi-
cult expression.

Lacked One Essential.

"They say the \$1 bills are easy to coun-
terfeit," said the man with the growler.
"Not without a sample," asserted the
man with the nickel and the penny with
a hole in it.
Sometimes an easy job is beyond the
reach of a willing man.—Chicago Post.

An eminent medical man says the instru-
ment least detrimental to the health of
aspiring musicians is the flute. Its pen-
cils, he asserts, is not only free from risk,
but it may also be indulged in with pos-
sitive benefit to the health.

The word squirrel is from two Greek
words which mean shadow tail.



WHEN TO SPRAY.

Professor Card's Recommendations
For Apple Orchards.

Professor Card of Nebraska makes
the following recommendation in a re-
cent bulletin:

Spray with paris green, as generally
recommended, about one week after the
blossoms fall or in time to get the calyx
cups well filled with the pollen so that
they may close over and hold it there.

Spray again with paris green and
bordeaux mixture combined or with
kerosene emulsion about June 1, or,
better still, observe carefully and apply
this when the eggs are being laid in
abundance on the leaves.

Scrape the bark and place paper
bands around the tree about the last of
June, when the larvae are beginning to
leave the apple to pupate. Examine
these two or three times, a week apart,
and destroy the insects found beneath
them.

If these methods are not wholly effec-
tive, owing to the proximity of neglect-
ed orchards or from an unusual abun-
dance of moths, later spraying, with ei-
ther paris green and bordeaux mixture
or kerosene emulsion, may do some
good, but apparently cannot be expect-
ed to be wholly effective. Late spraying
with arsenites is much more likely to
injure the foliage than earlier applica-
tions.

If larvae are still found in the apples
in any considerable numbers toward
the end of the season, place paper bands
about the tree about Sept. 1 or a little
earlier. Leave them there until the
fruit is gathered from the orchard; then
remove and destroy the larvae hibernat-
ing beneath them.

Squashes For Europe.

"There is only one way to relieve the
squash market—create a foreign de-
mand. England, Ireland and Scotland
know nothing about squashes. They
cannot be raised there and are never to
be found in their markets. I have been
told that English people do not like
squashes. How can that be known un-
til they have tried them? What is need-
ed is a man who knows all about the
squash, either as a table delicacy or in
the form of our famous squash pie—an
ambitious, energetic man, who will
thoroughly introduce our fine vegetable
to our English cousins. They cannot
have any greater prejudice against it
than our forefathers, who, as English-
men, first came in contact with it in
their new homes." So says Mr. J. J. H.
Gregory in The Country Gentleman, to
which he sends a copy of a petition to
the commissioner of agriculture at
Washington which the members of the
Boston Market Gardeners' association
have united in signing, the purport of
which is that \$5,000 be expended in
sending in August, 1899, a suitable
agent—one who shall be well skilled in
the various ways of preparing squashes
for table use—to attempt their intro-
duction into the markets of England,
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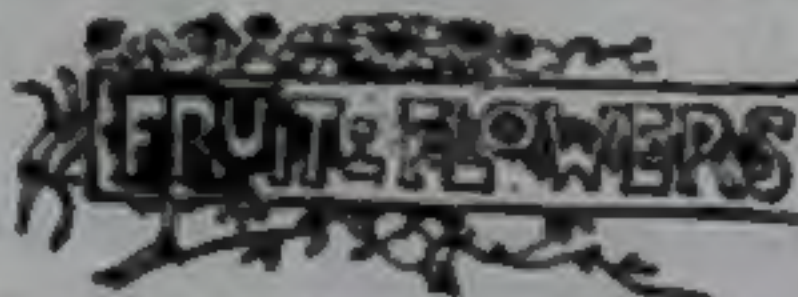
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The grape grower must start out early in the season to get ahead of the grapevine flea beetle and to keep there. As soon as the grape buds begin to swell in June too early, because the first attack of the beetle, after emerging from hibernation in the earliest warm days, is upon the bursting buds. It should be an easy matter for the grape grower to recognize these little glossy, greenish blue or steel blue insects, as they are the only beetles that occur in injurious numbers upon the grapevine. Most of the damage is done by the adult beetle, but the little dark brown grubs also work on the leaves.

The Cornell station has recently issued a bulletin by Professor Slingerland intended to help grape growers to recognize and combat this insect, which makes trouble all over the eastern half of the country. Methods which he recommends for controlling the beetles



GRAPE FOLIAGE RIDDLED BY GRUBS.

when they emerge in early spring are collecting by hand, spraying with paris green and furring into pairs of kerosene. The paris green is used very strong Professor Slingerland says the buds will stand the poison at the rate of one pound in 50 to 75 gallons of water, providing an equal amount of freshly slacked lime is also added. Literally paint the buds with this mixture or renew the application in a few days or sooner if rains occur.

The work of the tiny brown grubs, about a quarter of an inch in length, is conspicuous, and they usually feed on the upper side of the leaves. Experiments have shown that the grubs readily succumb to a spray of whale oil soap (one pound in six or eight gallons of water) or kerosene emulsion.

A less expensive and easier method is to spray the infested foliage with paris green or some other poison, thus poisoning their food. A pound of paris green in 150 gallons of water is strong enough to kill the grubs quickly.

Growing Pansies.

Writing of pansy plants which have been raised from seed in boxes in the house or in hotbeds, a correspondent of Vick's Magazine says: By May the plants ought to be large enough to be set out of doors. Have the ground where they are to be placed spaded deep and mellow and plenty of well decayed manure worked in, as pansies delight in a rich soil. Select a cloudy day for setting out the plants and put them about eight inches apart each way, firming them down well. By July they will be in blossom and will continue to flower till late in the fall. In the meantime water the soil every week; give the plants all the water they can drink; keep the blossoms well picked off, so no seed pods—which take the strength from the plants—can form, and give fertilizer if it should be needed.

Lawn Grasses.

The principal lawn grasses of this country are Kentucky blue grass, creeping bent and Rhode Island bent. White or Dutch clover is often sown with Kentucky blue grass, and this mixture is not objectionable, according to L. Lamson Scullier, agronomist of the agricultural department, because the shade of green in the clover is nearly the same as that of the grass. There are several of the fine leaved fescues, the names of which are not well known which are also valuable lawn grasses in the regions where Kentucky blue grass may be grown.

Fruit and Flower Notes.

The Golden Gate rose, as forced, is described by a correspondent of Vick's Magazine as very beautiful, an exquisite rich creamy yellow, flushed near the edge of the petals with salmon peach. The uncurling buds have an especially beautiful glow of color. The fragrance is rich and fruity.

The New York State Agricultural society notes that quinces were excellent in quality and growers rewarded with remunerative prices last season, and it recommends this fruit to the more general recognition of orchardmen in sec-

tion adapted to its culture.

One of the latest novelties in experimental work is forcing the buds of slow growing or weak trees and plants with hydraulic pressure applied to the roots by an ingenious process devised at the Wisconsin station.

The department of agriculture views as among the possibilities the production of an orange that shall be a successful cross of the juicy and seedless navel orange with the loose skinned tangerine.

A movement is under way for reorganizing the American Rose society.

What Attracts Boys.

How to keep boys on the farm is as much a question in the south as in the north and west. Speaking of this The Western Agriculturist says: "While scientific agriculture is an inviting field for the farmers' sons, the highest achievement is attained by the breeders of pure bred stock. Note the large number of public sales the past year where \$10,000 to \$20,000 worth of surplus young stock was sold and the breeding plant retained to keep up the supply of pedigree stock for the regular annual sale. All kinds of pure bred stock are in demand, and nothing will interest the boys like the pedigree stock that sells at good prices. There is a commercial, businesslike fascination about it that will interest the boys and keep them on the farm. Scientific breeding of the improved breeds is a benefit to the community, to the state and to the nation and adds millions of dollars to the wealth of the country and brings prosperity to the farm."

The Bahama Duck.

This duck, known to naturalists as the Bahama Marbled duck (*Defila bahamensis* and *Pareulonetta bahamensis*), is sometimes seen at our exhibitions. In length it measures about 18½ inches. The bill, 1½ inches long, is of a leaden color, reddish on the sides in adult specimens, while in young birds it is of a brownish color, the color changing with age.

The crown of the head is a sepia brown; the tail and back brown, edged with a lighter shade of the same color; the breast gray, spotted with brown; the wing bar metallic violet, edged with



A PAIR OF BAHAMAS.

a narrow stripe of buff upon the front and a broad one on the back; the legs are of a dark color. Both sexes are alike in plumage.

The Bahama duck is found in Brazil and the Bahama islands, and, although not numerous on these islands, yet one there, Bathera, has given its name to this variety, as it is called by some naturalists the Bathera duck. It has also received the names of Canard de Bahama and Le Marec. It perches upon trees and is not migratory in its habits. A very similar species is said to be found at the Cape of Good Hope.—London Poultry

Don't Coddle Poultry.

Never coddle or baby either old or young fowls. Provide them with suitable shelter and allow them to use their discretion about keeping under cover—so that they can run to shelter if they want to. We can have healthy fowls by breeding from vigorous, healthy, mature stock from ancestors equally good. This will give us sturdy chicks if eggs are properly incubated—chicks kept growing with good care on free range. All our stock should be allowed warm, clean quarters, plenty of fresh air and sunlight, pure water, good, sound food, exercise, good care and freedom from vermin.—American Poultry Journal.

Henhouse Manure.

The henhouse furnishes a very rich manure for the garden, but it is a rather one-sided manure, rich in nitrogen, so that applications of potash and phosphate will be needed. Wood ashes will supply the potash, but they should never be mixed with the hen manure before they are applied. Kainit will also supply potash and can be mixed with manure, tending to conserve the ammonia. Lime is a fine thing to have about the henhouse, but it should not be mixed with the manure.—Maine Farmer.

A Growing Association.

The Aurora (Ill.) Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock association will hold its first annual exhibition at Aurora Jan. 9 to 13, 1900. In two months the society has gained a membership of 99 paid up names. On Jan. 20-21 it held a little scoring show limited to members. B. N. Pierce was judge of poultry and J. M. Reil of pigeons. There were nearly 300 entries in the poultry list and 125 pigeons.

FATTENING ARTIFICIALLY.

Some of the Methods of Stuffed Poultry With Food in France.

It is in France where the gastronomic art is carried to the highest point that artificial methods of fattening poultry to meet epicurean tastes have been most developed. The ordinary method is to shut the birds in a shed the floor of which is thickly covered with straw, with troughs for food and water round the sides. The birds are free to move about, but they are close enough together to cause an appreciable rise in the temperature of the place. They are fed with substances which are easily digested, so that the stomach is expanded as much work as possible. To give them an appetite their food is varied considerably, and they are allowed nothing but salt water to drink. Three times a day balneum are administered in the



FEEDING A GOOSE THROUGH A FUNNEL.

form of long sticks of force meat, which are pushed down the gullet of the fowl immediately after each meal the bird is made to drink.

Stuffing is not always done by hand. Sometimes a funnel filled with maize is employed. It is introduced into the bird's throat, and by the aid of a short stick the grains are pushed into the crop.

In Paris at the large poultry market the method in vogue is still more primitive and seems anything but appetizing to the poultry lover. There it is the operator himself who fills his mouth from the trough of scumliquid paste and then injects it into the bird's gullet.

In the wholesale industry fattening cages are used, the appearance of which is decidedly singular. The cage is a circular structure, the walls of which are divided into a number of square boxes, each of them just large enough to hold a goose. The birds' heads are turned outward and often the whole cage turned on an axle, so that each bird fronts the operator in turn.

"Biddy's" Queer Brood.

Out in the Smoky Hollow section of Great Bend township, Pa., a party of snow bound traveling men were swapping yarns about animals one day in early March, says a correspondent of the New York Press. After several pretty stiff stories had been told the hotel clerk woke up. "Bill Sullivan of this township," said he, "has a hen that has just hatched out a queer brood. She was forever sitting on something, trying to hatch out doorknobs, horseshoes and the like, and so Bill thought he'd cure her of the habit. He had some rattlesnake eggs that he found last summer and had put away in cotton, intending to hatch them out in hot sand in June."

"He put these eggs under the hen about three weeks ago, and in just 14 days the crisis came. One morning there was an awful howl 'a do in the henhouse, and Bill went out to investigate."

"You may not believe it, but there was that darned old hen hopping up and down in a fearful state of mind, running up to look into her nest and then running away again with wings outstretched and cackling a demand for an explanation. She flew at Bill as though she intended to peck his eyes out, but he beat her off and then took a look in the nest."

"There were seven little rattlesnakes, each about four inches long, squirming about in it. For one whole day that hen refused to return to the nest, but on the next day she went back to it, and she had evidently made up her mind to rear that brood and make the best of it."

"Boys," said Pete Bowles solemnly, "we've just about got time to catch that way freight."

And they fled out.

Care of Houses.

Poultry houses should be thoroughly renovated once, better twice, a year. If you wish, brighten the walls by a thorough application of good hot white wash to which a little carbolic acid has been added. If you don't like white wash, use some good wood preservative and paint the whole interior of the house with it. If you have earthen or sand floors, which are the best, dig them up and cart off the upper four inches of dirt and replace with new fresh earth or sand. If you have wood or cement floors, cleanse them thoroughly and whitewash or mop them over with some cheap nonpoisonous disinfectant. Then cover them when dry with a few inches of sand or earth.—Dr. Woods.

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Mrs. Mary Borden, King St., Chatham, Ont., says: "For some months I have been afflicted with nervousness and general debility. Going upstairs would produce a great shortness of breath and a tired, exhausted feeling."

I had palpitation and fluttering of the heart, and for months have not been well or strong. Until I took Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. I almost despaired of a cure. I have only taken one full box, and now feel splendid.

My nerves are strong, all the heart troubles are completely removed, the shortness of breath has vanished, and the constant tired out, all gone feeling is a thing of the past. It is needless to say that I esteem this remedy the best in the world for heart and nerve troubles."

Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills are 50c., a box or 3 for \$1.25, at all druggists.

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TIME TABLE

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The quality, on sale this week at... 59c
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Bright silk finished goods, worth 35c
yard, 10 patterns to select from,
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This is special silk finished Henrietta
that sells at 60c yard, our special
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1 piece of our new Black Satin at 75c
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Thursday, May 4

Smithville.

Abraham Wardell and Miss Emma Wardell, who have been spending the winter in Detroit and Chicago, returned here last week.

Geo. Kennedy, of Montana, is here on a visit to his brother Jacob.

Geo. Tanner visited in Hamilton on Friday.

Ambrose Snider and Nelson Cartwright, who went to Muskoka to take up land, returned on Friday. They do not think much of that part of the country.

E. Mariatt and A. Aldrich, of Chippewick, spent a few days here last week with some of Mr. Mariatt's old friends.

Harry Couse was home from Buffalo over Sunday.

Art Glover, of Niagara Falls, whel- ed here on Sunday to spend the day with his parents.

Mrs. John Tanner is spending a few days in Buffalo.

A fair and attentive audience greet- ed Rev. Rural Dean Spencer in St. Luke's Church of England on Tuesday evening of last week to hear his lec- ture "To the Jews first and afterwards to the Gentiles," and to see the great- est stereopticon views shown by him. All were well pleased with both lec- ture and views and no doubt will be very pleased to hear Mr. Spencer again. The proceeds were in aid of the Home Missions.

A delighted crowd it was that left the basement of the Methodist church on Friday evening last after partaking of a nice lunch and hearing the debate resolved that "Britain as an Empire will decline." The occasion was an "at home" given by the Epworth League and the parties to the debate were R. Wade and M. O. Nelson for the affirmative and R. Gillespie and W. Schofield were for the negative. The referees, Willis Merritt, Miss Bridgman and Miss McArthur had quite a task in deciding the question, as all the participants spoke exceed- ingly well, but after due deliberation decided in favor of the affirmative.

The many friends of Miss Maud Shipman will regret to learn that she is again ill.

Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable dis- covery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he suffered untold agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages; and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvellous cure; would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Dis- covery for consumption. Sold at any drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded. Sold by Murray Fitch, Grimsby.

District News.

Yonge Street.

Mr. A. Book has improved the ap- pearance of his buildings with a coat of paint.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Wardell has re- turned from a visit at Dunnville.

Farmers are very busy at present seeding.

Mr. and Mrs. J. VanDyke, of Grimsby, were visiting at W. Telfer's last Sunday.

Grimsby Centre.

Mrs. Geo. Douglas is visiting her mother at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Mrs. Stephen Montgomery, we are glad to hear, has arrived at her des- tination.

Johnny Lucan is helping O'Connell's in seeding.

Mrs. W. B. Darham has been visit- ing at J. H. D. Walker's, of Grimsby.

J. Marlow and Miss Mina Mackie, of Jericho, were visiting at J. South- ward's.

David Fisher and Miss Edna Gane were visiting at her parents' Sunday.

Vinmount.

Mrs. Muir and Miss Barr, of Grims- by, visited here last Saturday.

All the people around here are so busy at present that they have no time to go to Hamilton. Last Saturday there were no passengers at the station; not even our friend W.H. We under- stand Mr. W. D. Brand intends going to Leamington soon.

Mr. Edward Turner and Mr. Vin- cent Jackson were in Vinmount last week.

The concert held at Tweedside on the 25th ulto was a decided success.

A Hamilton girl laughed for four hours the other day without stopping. She must have been reading the letter signed W. H. Brand in last week's Independent.

PRICE'S TOBAC-CURE
Sole at Murray Fitch's Drug Store.

Grassie's Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Shoolie, Hamil- ton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Watson Muir over Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Crowa returned home from Hamilton this week.

Miss E. Folker, Tapscott, was the guest of Mrs. R. H. Folker last week.

Miss Edith Muir, who has been visiting friends in Hamilton during the past week has returned home.

Mrs. R. H. Folker was in Hamilton last week.

R. T. Miller and H. Bertram, Vine- mount, called on friends here one evening last week.

You can get your seed oats, goose- wheat and grass peas, and also good American corn for feed or seed at the ware house here from G. W. Muir.

What is Shiloh?

A grand old remedy for Cough, Colds and Consumption; used throughout the world for half a century, has cured in- numerable cases of insipient consump- tion and relieved many in advanced stages. If you are not satisfied with the results we will refund your money. Price 25 cts., 50 cts. and \$1.00.

—I represent a large amount of money which I can lend at 5, 5 1/2 and 6 per cent. according to the size of loan. Jas. A. Livingstone, Grimsby.

Beamsville.

Spraying—Monday, May 6th, 2 p. m., I. G. Houser's orchard.

Mrs. Walter Tufford has returned from a visit to the Western States.

Dr. Jones has returned to his home in the States.

John Vanburgh paid a flying visit to this place this week. He has bought a farm here; a portion of the Robert Hook farm.

Mr. Crane, of the Pressed Brick Co., has returned after an absence of some months at Brockville, Ont.

Fish poles, lines, hooks, baits, etc., and fish farms at Morrow's.

An entertainment under the auspices and for the benefit of the Mechanics Institute, was given in the town hall on Friday evening last.

A long program of song, instrumental music, fancy drill, etc., was rendered in fine style. Results about \$32.00.

Owing to dental troubles Rev. Dr. Macintyre was unable to occupy his pulpit on Sunday last and Rev. James Mackie took his place at the morning service and Rev. Mr. Miller presided in the evening.

Christian Endeavor—Special anni- versary services will be held in the new church on Sunday, May 14th, when the Rev. Mungo Fraser, of Knox church, Hamilton, will (D. V.) preach morning and evening. An immense congregation will no doubt be present to hear the eloquent rev. gentleman.

Bean Straw For Feeding Cows.

While the sheep take naturally to bean straw and to the grain itself, there are many who grow beans who do not keep sheep. With a little care in giving only small amounts at first, and when the cow is hungry, she will eat bean straw and soon come to like it for a change as well as the hay or corn- stalks which are her regular diet. Bean straw is very nutritious, and as it causes wind on the stomach it should be given with caution to breeding stock, either sows or cows, lest it should cause abor- tion. The refuse beans that are often thrown away may properly be ground and mixed with cornmeal as feed for hogs. They are very nutritious, more so than corn.—Boston Cultivator.

Feeding Smutty Corn.

Whenever you come to a quantity of corn put it in the fire. This should have been done at husking time, but some smut may have been overlooked then and developed since. If all farmers would stamp out the corn smut where- ever found the disease could soon be eradicated. Feeding it to either cows or hogs, as is often done, is the readiest way to send it to the manure pile, where it will propagate very rapidly. Besides, it is a serious danger to the animals to which it is fed, especially if they are bearing young.—Boston Cultivator.

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We claim to be able to please the particu- lar and the "fussy."

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Everything in the Confectionery line Fresh.

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Pekin Duck Eggs.

I have a fine flock of Pure Breed Im- perial Pekin Ducks, imported direct from Jan. Rankin, South Easton, Mass. These Ducks are the most prolific lay- ers and finest table fowls of Duck varieties. Eggs for hatching, \$1.00 per setting of 11.

JOHN KERMAN,
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FOR SERVICE.

Shorthorn Bull "Scottish Fame" 28999. Sire, Scottish Pride, Imp. 28939. Dam, Fairy Fame 26845. This is a very well bred animal, being of the same family as "Ma- rengo," the first prize Shorthorn at the Royal Show in 1898, and from the "Missie" strain of cows, the best milking strain of Shorthorns at the present time. For further particulars apply

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CHILDREN'S COUGHS

QUICKLY CURED.

Hard to keep the children from catch- ing cold—will run out of doors not properly wrapped—get wet feet—kick the bed clothes off at night.

What's the mother going to do about it? Mustn't neglect the children's Coughs and Colds—might end in Croup—and Croup end fatally or weaken the lungs for life.

Most mothers now give their children Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

It's nice to take, and cures all kinds of Coughs and Colds more quickly and effectually than any remedy known.

Mrs. R. P. Leonard, Perry Sound, Ont., writes: "I have used Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup for Coughs and Colds of myself and also of my baby. I find it always cures a Cold quicker than any other Cough mixture I ever tried." Price 25c.

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Cure constipation, biliousness, sick headaches and dyspepsia. Every pill guaranteed perfect and to act without any grip- ing, weakening or sickening effects. 25c. at all druggists.

THAT BOOK AGENT.

The Pastor. "Good morning, Mrs. Roberts, what makes you look so sad this morning?" Mrs. R. "I have come to say good-bye, Mr. Brown, for I am out of employment, and must go back to England."

The Pastor. "Go back to England to get employment, what nonsense! I can get lots of work for a young man like you in this country."

Bro. R. "Well, I have hunted high and low and can get nothing, so what am I to do?"

The Pastor. "I tell you what you can do, Bro. Roberts, take an agency for a good book, for there is money in canvassing."

Bro. R. "Do you think I would stoop to book canvassing?"

The Pastor. (Smiles warmly.) "Stoop to canvassing! Better men than you have canvassed. I put myself through College with a book prospectus, and I know many successful men who got their start in life as canvassers. My youngest son is canvassing now, and he makes enough at the business to pay his way at the University. I induced a man who failed in business, to take up can- vassing, and he made enough money to start business again. I gave the same advice to a young mechanic, who was out of employment, and he is now a prosperous Publisher. Why, some of the biggest men in history have been book agents! 'Stoop to canvassing'; you are very fortunate that you can step up to it."

I advise you to write to the Bradley-Garret- son Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont., for this firm publishes fast selling books, and I know many who are doing well in its employ."

Bro. R. "I am sorry for speaking as I did, for I was certainly wrong. I will write The Bradley-Garretson Company and see what they have to offer, and will postpone my de- parture in the meantime."

FROM THE EAST

Having just returned from the east, where I have been placing large orders for Spring and Summer Shoes, I have concluded to offer many lines now in stock at greatly reduced prices, in order to make room for new goods.

On one table will be placed a lot of Wo- men's Oxford Shoes, ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$2.25. You can have your choice of these for \$1.25.

On another table will be placed a lot of Women's Buttoned Boots ranging in price from \$3 to \$5. You can have your choice of these for \$2.

Also on this table will be found a line of Girls' Round Toe Buttoned Boots, price \$1.50, for 1. We have not all sizes in these shoes, but we probably have your size. Call and see.

We keep the largest assortment of Men's Fine Shoes to be found in any store in Canada in patent calf-skin and other fine leathers.

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LEGS ENTIRELY RAW

From his feet to his body, and ran a blood tinged, irritating water.

Mrs. A. Keirstead, Snider Mt., N.B., tells how her little boy suffered, and how B.B.B. cured him permanently.



FREDDY KEIRSTEAD.

There is not a mother in this land who has a child suffering from skin disease in any form but will thank Mrs. Keirstead, of Snider Mt., N.B., for telling of the remarkable manner in which her boy, Freddy, was cured of one of the severest and most tortur- ing of skin diseases by the use of Burdock Blood Bitters; and not only relieved and cured for the time- being, but, mark you, after eight years the disease has shown no sign of returning.

The following is Mrs. Keirstead's letter:—

"With gratitude I can testify to the wonderful curative powers of Burdock Blood Bitters. Eight years ago our little son, Freddy, was afflicted with salt rheum and was in a dreadful condition. His legs, from the soles of his feet to his body, were entirely raw, and ran a bloody water, which appeared to burn and itch until he was often in great agony.

"After trying several remedies, we re- solved to give B.B.B. a trial.

"You can imagine with what delight and gratitude we saw our boy entirely cured after using one bottle and part of the second. We gave him the remainder of the second bottle, and from that time till the present he has never had a sign of salt rheum or a sick day. You need not wonder that I think there is no other medicine can equal Burdock Blood Bitters to purify the blood and build up the health and strength."

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Razors Honed, 15c.
Agent for the Parfian Steam Laundry.
A Select Stock of Cigars.

A new stock of new seasonable goods of all kinds at Morrow's. Call and see for yourselves.

Thursday, May 4

GRIMSBY NEWS.

Postal Delivery.

Editor Independent:

There is one respect in which Grimsby is woefully behind the times. I refer to the postal arrangement. In many places much inferior to Grimsby in size of population and importance the citizens enjoy the privilege of a postal delivery.

Our present system is wasteful of time and patience and is most inconvenient, and has been so for years, and the service should be reinforced by having a regular private postman to deliver the two mails daily to all willing to subscribe for that privilege. The collection of the outgoing mail could, in the business section at least, be also included.

A large number of business men have already expressed themselves favourably as to the proposition.

This letter, Mr. Editor, is to inform the general public of the move and with a view to obtaining the most suitable person for the position.

There is good pay in the situation and it should call for a good man.

Yours truly,
Proctor.

Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G.B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felsons, Corns, Skin Eruptions, Blisters, Piles, etc. on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by all Druggists.

Sold by Murray Fitch, Grimsby.

Women's Institute

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Thursday afternoon at Stony Creek. Owing to the small attendance the programme was rather short. Mrs. McNeilly read a paper on "Clubs for Women," and the subject of Mrs. Nelson's paper was "Physiology."

At the next meeting, on May 11th, the Institute hopes to secure Mrs. J. Ross Holden to address the meeting on "Home Cooking."

To "Tut"

You accuse me as a critic
Appearing lenient to you,
And that I made enemies,
Which I never meant to do.

Perhaps a little explanation
Would not be out of place,
And it would give me pleasure
To meet you face to face.

I agree with you in saying
In this little town of ours,
And have noticed it myself
How outsiders pluck our flowers.

But suppose there was a "gentleman,"
Who was a friend to you,
Accused with those who were not
Gentlemen,

Tell me what would you do.

Don't you think that you would have
A little inclination
To try without offense
To resent the accusation.

But as I said before,
What you say is all too true,
And I trust our boys will act
On the moral given by you.

OSCEOLA.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE.

"New Standard" Ready-Made
Clothing to be Handled in
Hamilton by F. R. Smith.

During the past two years the Fit-Reform Clothing Co., of Montreal, has been after the Smith Clothing Co., of this city, to handle their productions, but the terms were not satisfactory, and about three months ago some of the promoters of the Fit-Reform Company withdrew and formed another company, with large stores in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and Winnipeg.

When F. R. Smith spent a week, in January last, among the big New York clothing makers, he got many pointers, and has since been making arrangements with a large Toronto manufacturer to carry out similar ideas in the making of ready-made clothing as those adopted by the Montreal concern.

Mr. Smith is in Toronto to day, so could not be interviewed but it is expected the new wardrobe fixtures will be in place and the new clothing now being made will be ready about the first of June.

The "New Standard" is the copyrighted name of the clothing, and it will be graded in price on the same

principle as the "Slater" shoe, four prices, namely, \$7.50, \$10.00, \$12.00 and \$14.00; \$7.50 being the lowest price. A good guarantee will be given with every suit, on the same principle as adopted by Rodger, Peeto & Co., of New York.

This, of course, will not in any way interfere with the merchant tailoring department at Smith's, under the management of James Slater.—Hamilton Times.

GRIMSBY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Secretary-Treasurer's Report for 1898-1899.

The secretary-treasurer begs to report as follows:

That the total number of names on the membership roll for the year ending April 30th, 1899, is 117. Paying members 114. Non-paying members 3. Of the whole number on the roll 58 are from the township.

The Library has been open 186 days in the year from 2 p. m. to 10 p. m., while the Board of Management has had six meetings.

The issue of books has fallen off somewhat from last year, owing no doubt to a smaller membership; still, large enough to show a very considerable amount of reading done, and were classified as follows:—Biography 3, travels 86, poetry and drama 48, science and art 90, history 221, miscellaneous 1600, fiction 1503, religious 8, general literature 820, reference C, making a total of 4382 volumes issued during the year.

The number of new books added to library during the year was 172, as compared with 157 of the year before, 25 of the number being fiction.

The reading room has been well patronised throughout the year, where were to be found 14 periodicals, 2 daily papers and 4 weekly papers.

I beg further to report that the receipts and expenditures for the year are as follows:

RECEIPTS.	
Government grant.....	\$175 00
Township grant.....	60 00
Village grant.....	85 00
Concert proceeds.....	26 80
Membership fees.....	111 50
Pictures sold.....	25
Proceeds of note discounted.....	73 15
Total.....	\$335 70

EXPENDITURES.

Periodicals and papers.....	\$ 67 45
Books.....	155 70
Librarian's salary.....	78 00
Lighting.....	20 00
Heating.....	10 75
Supplies.....	2 86
Box rent, postage, freight rate	5 79
Rent.....	50 00
Insurance.....	11 25
Procuring new subscribers ..	1 75
Amt. due treasurer May 1, '98	2 32
Bank of Hamilton note.....	75 00
Balance of cash on hand....	54 83

\$335 70
Assets—Cash on hand \$54.83, books, furniture, etc.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

S. A. WHITTAKER,
Sec'y-Treas.

ELECTION OF A NEW BOARD.

After the reading and adoption of the Sec'y-Treas. report a new board was elected for the balance of 1899. The following constitute the board:—J. H. Groat, Rev. J. Muir, C. W. Harrison, Wm. Mitchell, S. A. Whittaker, John Kerman, W. F. Clarke, J. W. G. Nelles and Jas. A. Livingston.

The new Board will meet Friday evening, May 5th.

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A Fine Tower and Tank.

J. N. Darby is making extensive improvements on his farm in the north west part of the village. He has erected an immense tower upon which he is placing a water tank, built on the English style, that will hold 30,000 gallons of water. The water will be pumped from the lake by a wind mill, and so high is the tank that water can be thrown on the roof of the house in case of fire.

The lower story of the Tower will be used by Mr. Darby as a carriage house and the second story will be

utilized as and implement warehouse. We would suggest to Mr. Darby that upon the upon the tank he should place an observatory, from which he would have the finest panoramic view in Ontario.

Mr. Darby intends making other extensive improvements in his farm building later.

Jas. A. Hewitt has the contract of building the tower and tank.

H. G. & E. Again Beaten.

For the second time in half a month the H. G. & E. Electric Ry Company got a tad throw-down in their lawsuit with the township of Saltfleet last week. There was general rejoicing amongst the people all along the line when Grimsby village won the suits with the company two weeks ago, but that was not a circumstance to the hilarity felt by the people when Saltfleet gave the company a bad beating last week. Everyone except the poor shareholders were delighted with the result—the more because many feared that in such a complicated matter reasons for a compromise might arise.

The jubilation through Saltfleet was universal when it was learned that the township had won on every point and that the company had to pay full costs of the action and were ordered by the judge to make the needed changes and repairs within four months or stop running.

Congratulations poured in on Reeve Milten and the council from all sides and it is easy with the truth to say that at present Reeve Milten is the most popular man in Saltfleet.

Died.

Muir—At her residence, Grimsby, on Saturday, April 29th, 1899, Sarah Esther, relict of the late Jonathan P. Muir, at the age of 64 years.

MILLGATE—At the residence of her father, S. Oakley, Grimsby, on Monday, May 1st, 1899, Annie, beloved wife of H. G. Millgate, in her 41st year.

VANDYKE—At his residence, Grimsby, on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1899, at 10.45 a.m., George H. Van Dyke, in his 76th year. The funeral will take place from his residence, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, May 4th, to Queen's Lawn Cemetery. Service at the house. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

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SHEEP OF BLUEST BLOOD.

Merinoes of Long Pedigree in the Hills of Vermont.

"The bluest blooded, most aristocratic of all domestic animals in the United States is the Merino sheep," said Aaron Spencer, a New England stock breeder, to the New York Sun, "and nowhere else in the world, not even among the hills of Spain, the original home of the Merino, is this valuable animal found in such perfection and purity of breeding as among the Green mountains of Vermont. There are Merinos in that region, and particularly in Addison county, whose pedigree is traced back without a break in the record or a blot in the blood for more than a century directly to ancestral pastures in Spain.

"To look at a Merino sheep, unless you know all the points of one, you would scarcely think it was worth driving to pasture. Greasy, dirty and uncomely, its fleece, blackened by an oozy, gummy substance which, to put it mild, is by no means fragrant, hanging to its body in rhinoceroslike folds and wrinkles, the eyes barely visible and nothing but the nose showing free from the greasy, sticky, ill smelling mass, the royal blooded Merino is not a sight to cause much enthusiasm in a spectator who is looking for outward beauty. But the bluer and gummier and more rhinoceroslike its fleece the better it is. Breeders think so much of that dirty gum on their Merino that they carefully shelter them from showers and even heavy dews, to prevent a particle of it from being dislodged. Members of this aristocratic family of sheep of the Vermont breed have taken on the unprepossessing and uncomely appearance and rank much to such a degree that they have easily commanded \$3,000 apiece from eager breeders. I knew an Addison county flock of Merinos, 30 in number, to be sold, just as they stood in the pasture, for \$10,000 cash.

"For centuries the government of Spain prohibited, under heavy penalties, the exportation of Merino sheep, knowing well the great value of that product of its mountain slopes and being resolved not to share it with any other country. In 1802 Colonel David Humphrey of Connecticut was United States minister to Spain, and he made himself so popular at the court of Madrid that when he retired from office in that year his request to be permitted to fetch with him to America a number of Merinos of known superiority of blood was granted by the Spanish government. Those sheep were placed on the Humphrey farm, near Derby, and from that original stock the present royal breed of Vermont Merinos sprang.

"But there is an aristocracy even among blue blooded Merinos, and the family known as the Atwoods may be said to be the Mayflower stock of all Merinos in this country and the highest in degree in any country except Spain. They hold their heads above the most aristocratic of their kind not because their blood is any better than other Vermont Merinos, but simply because they are Atwoods and nothing else. Two or three years after Colonel Humphrey brought that first flock of Merinos from their native hills in Spain a young farmer named Stephen Atwood agreed to work a whole year on the Humphrey farm for just one ewe from the original importation of Merinos. The contract was fulfilled, and from that ewe and a Humphrey Merino ram the present Atwood Merinos originated. Atwood transferred his sheep to Addison county, and there the purity of the blood has been sacredly preserved, an association of breeders having been formed for no other purpose than to maintain that purity. Descendants of Stephen Atwood controlled the flock until a few years ago, when it passed into other hands. A half interest in one of the flocks brought \$3,500. The flock was separated, but the Atwoods remain still the Merinos of highest degree. When a lamb of this ultra blue blood is born, its ears are pierced, and silver labels, one with a number on it and the other with the owner's name, are attached to them. The number and name are entered on the books of the association. If the lamb is sold or transferred, the owner must notify the association, and the transaction is carefully noted on the books. Any subsequent disposition of the lamb must also be reported to the association, so that every movement of that lamb from its birth to its death is always known. No sheep has any standing as a royal blooded Merino which does not wear the earrings and can have no certificate of pedigree. Today Merino sheep are raised all over the world, Australian breeders being the largest owners, but even from Australia, that

chosen spot of sheep raising, as well as from every other sheep growing country, the breeders come to Addison county, Vt., to obtain scions of the original stock whenever they want to improve their flocks."

Pasture and Pastures.

Continuous pasturing on the same land is the most effective method of spreading parasitic diseases. Pastures must be clean, and for this a regular course of rotation is indispensable. It is a question now whether or not sheep should be pastured on anything but an usually unweeded area.

Success on Celery.

In regard to a case of suckering in celery Rural New Yorker says it may be due to poor stock, and adds: Several years ago New York celery growers were troubled with these malformed plants, in some places quite seriously. Investigation placed the probable responsibility on the seed grower who had furnished the stock. He had grown his celery year after year on the same land and had failed to "rogue" it—that is, to go through the fields frequently and discard all plants not up to the standard of excellence in the variety; hence the stock had deteriorated or "run out." Evidence of this weakness would be more likely to appear in plants grown under unfavorable conditions. Celery needs a deep, rich, moist soil and will bear no check in growth.

PLANTING PEAS.

An Effective Arrangement of Early and Late Varieties.

As soon as the ground is in a fit state for working peas demand first attention. There is perhaps nothing in the whole year that interests the grower so much as getting the first dish, in the shortest time possible, of this much prized vegetable. A light soil well enriched with old manure in a sheltered part of the garden, with a south aspect, is best for first plantings. In a position like this the dwarf wrinkled varieties may be sown as well as the round sorts, but where the ground is cold and exposed it is better to wait until later, when the soil becomes drier and warmer.

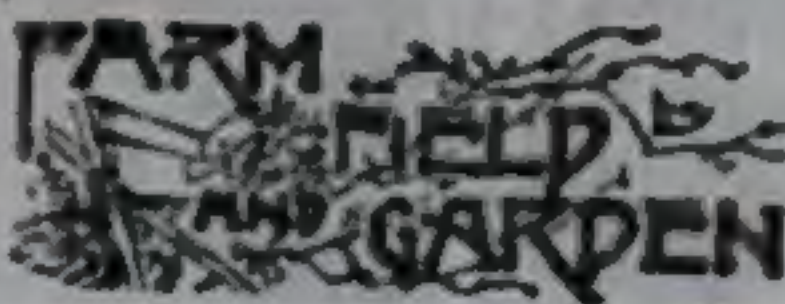
Nott's Excelsior is, I think, the best of the extra early marrow. It is a great improvement on American Wonder, being a much heavier cropper and more robust than that variety. There are several other good kinds, such as Blue Beauty and Premium Gem, which may be planted in succession to the first named sort, if desired.

Plant in drills 18 inches to 2 feet apart. As a preventive against rot wrinkled peas at this time should get a very light covering of soil—an inch or two—just sufficient for germination. Later, when they are well over the ground, the soil can be drawn up to them.

Round peas, being the hardest, are indispensable for early work. Among the several varieties I believe, from a general point of view, Excelsior is the best for amateurs and private gardeners. It will give a larger crop and have a neater appearance if supported by brush or wire netting. Other suitable kinds are that good old variety Daniel O'Rourke and Alaska. Set in drills 3 feet to 3½ feet apart. If a square in the garden is devoted to peas, commence in front with the earliest and dwarfest and, grading them to a slash in the back with the tallest midseason kinds, like Champion of England, the bed will have an effective appearance at certain times, says an American Gardening writer in concluding the advice here given about planting peas.

Growing Corn For Canners.

Farmers usually complain that the price paid by canneries for green sweet corn is too low for profit. The American Cultivator's comment on this is that, even at the very low price which green corn often brings, the crop pays as well as do most that farmers grow, provided they take good care of the corn fodder and get the most they can from that. The stalks of sweet corn are, if well cured, sweeter and better feed than those from field corn. Yet how often the stalks are left to dry in the field while the later ears are ripening! They are often left uncut until frost cuts them. It is far better to cut early enough so that the last bobbins will be still green. Let them go in the fodder. They are worth more there than for anything else. In most cases some of the earliest of the sweet corn can be sold to private customers for prices above what the canneries can afford to pay. The business of fruit canning has to be run very closely to enable the canners to hold the world's markets, and the farmer should be willing to accept low prices as well as the manufacturer. Canned corn is always sold by the dozen ears or by weight of the ear in the husk. Most kinds of sweet corn bear two or more ears on a stalk if on good land. This tendency to extra productiveness makes the sweet corn crop pay better than expected by farmers who base their calculations on one ear to a stalk, which is a good average for most kinds of field corn. A corn canning factory is therefore a good thing for the farmers in any neighborhood. They should encourage rather than discourage it. The more widely diversified farming is made the greater the profits and the smaller the danger by reverses when any one crop proves a failure.



AN ASPARAGUS BED.

How to Make It—Early Spring the Best Time—Plants From Seed.

Early spring is the generally accepted and best time for setting out asparagus plants, though the planting can be postponed for several weeks, owing to the roots being very succulent, without the injury which would befall many other vegetables. But early planting is certainly to be recommended if the soil can be properly prepared. The crowns or tops of the plants should be set about three inches below the surface of the ground. This is the depth for average soils, though in light ones deeper plantings are often made.

Asparagus delights in deep, rich, preferably sandy, loam. Deep and thorough pulverization of the soil and incorporation into it of well decomposed horse manure—the more the better—are all important points in asparagus culture. If only a small bed for private use is contemplated, it would pay to double dig or trench the soil two feet or more, mixing some of the above manure with each layer of the soil as it is turned over. If, however, the planting is to be on a larger scale, deep plowing (manure being first evenly spread), followed by subsoiling, will suffice. A manure spreader will apply the manure in the best possible manner, as it thoroughly disintegrates it and disperses it evenly. Practical growers do not agree as to the age of plants for setting, whether they should be one or two years old; but, as the advocates of each seem to attain equally good results, there would not appear to be much choice.

In large plantations one year old roots are generally used as being less expensive, and if well grown are undoubtedly preferable to stunted two year old plants. For a kitchen garden the latter, since they give quicker returns, would be perhaps advisable. The feeling as to the pocketbook must determine the matter. In market gardens the rows usually stand four or five feet apart, with plants two or three feet in the rows. The greater the distance between the plants the larger and stronger will be the shoots and the longer will the bed produce profitably 20 years or more if well made in the first instance and afterward regularly manured. A plan often adopted in private gardens is to form beds five feet wide, setting three rows of plants in each, one in the middle and the other two 18 inches on either side of it, plants to be set a foot apart in the rows or wider if thought desirable. There should be paths two feet wide between the beds, so that all operations can be handily performed. In large beds it is well to run a wheel or light smoothing harrow over the surface a week or ten days after setting, which will destroy any germinating weeds, repeating at intervals until the plants begin to grow, when the cultivator should be used—carefully at first. In small beds a steel garden rake will answer the purpose until hoeing becomes necessary.

In addition to the foregoing The Country Gentleman tells how to raise plants and combat the asparagus beetle. The seed bed should be carefully prepared as advised above. The seed should be sown early in the spring in rows a foot apart with seed an inch apart in the rows. Perfect freedom from weeds is required, as the delicate young plants are easily smothered, and frequent hoeing is necessary to keep them growing and to form an earth mulch during the hot summer months.

The following spring the plants may be set in a permanent bed. By giving proper attention to them these self raised 1-year-old plants will be better and stronger than the average of 2-year-old plants usually procurable by purchase. A light cutting of shoots may be made the second year after setting and the year following, and thereafter a full one. The asparagus beetle, yearly increasing in numbers, must be watched for. If found to be present, especially in newly made beds, the plants must be dusted at intervals during the season with a mixture of Paris green and plaster.

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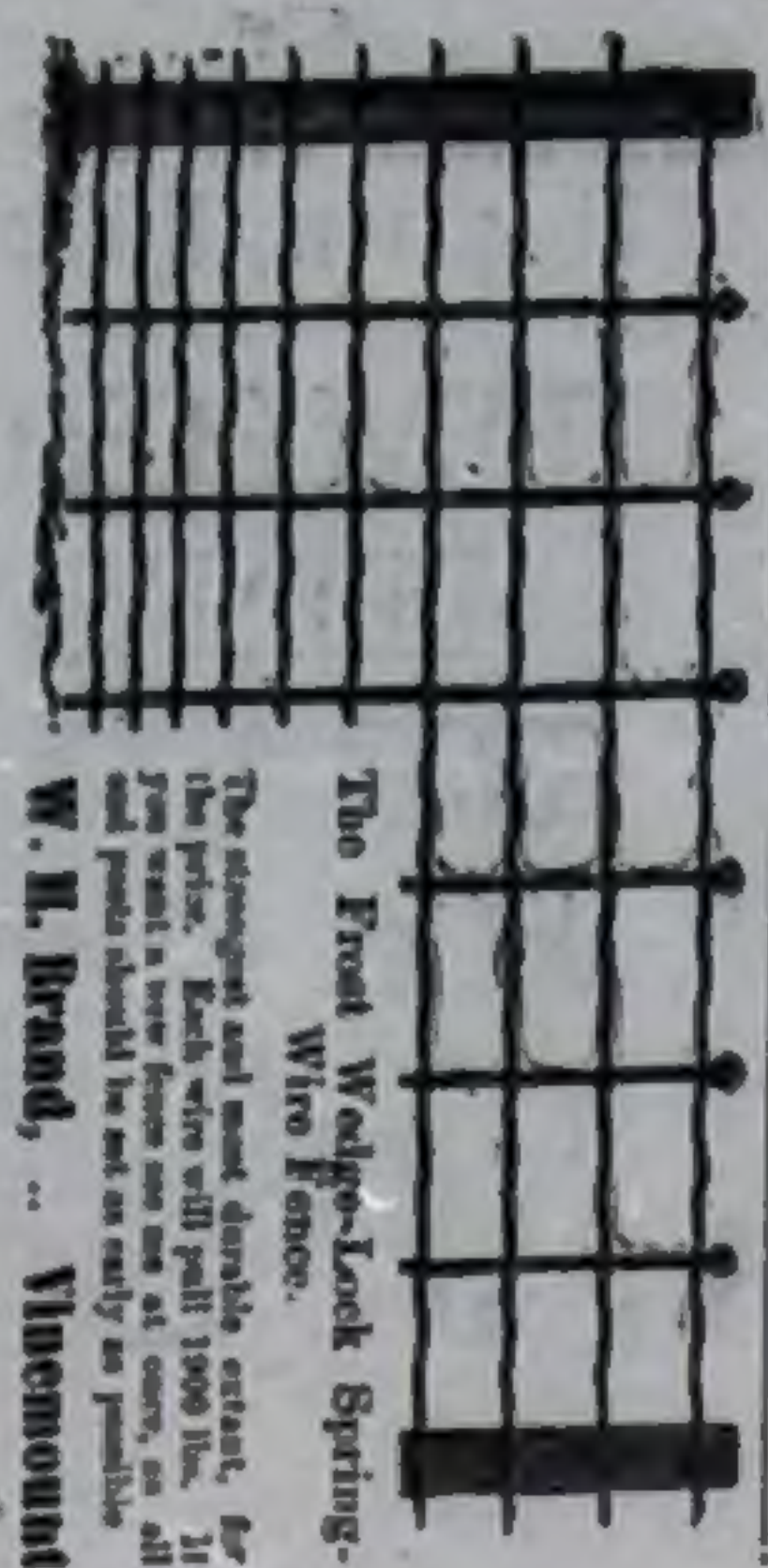
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